THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAMESH BAIS): (a) to (c) While an Extension Centre of Central Institute of Plastics Engineering and Technology (CIPET) is already operational at Imphal in Manipur, during the period of the 9th Five Year Plan, Extension Centres of CIPET are being set up at Haldia in West Bengal, Patna in Bihar and Guwahati in Assam.

Bill for Indian Fertilizer Industry

3422. SHRI VED PRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contemplating to draft a comprehensive Bill for simplying the working of Indian Fertilizer Industry;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether draft of the said Bill has since been finalised; and

(d) by when the same is likely to be introduced in Parliament and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAMESH BAIS): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Questions do not arise.

Antibiotics factory of IDPL at Rishikesh

3423. SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the antibiotics factory of IDPL at Rishikesh has been lying closed since 1996;

(b) if so, the reasons therefore;

(c) the annual estimated loss due to the closure; and

(d) the steps taken and being taken for reopening and reviving the factory?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAMESH BAIS): (a) The operations in the plant of IDPL,